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(S) Turkey supports Bosnia's application for NATO's Membership Action Plan and is concerned that if the Alliance were to offer MAP to Montenegro and not to Bosnia, it would discourage those in Bosnia who favor Euro-Atlantic integration and encourage the growing number there who do not. Pol-Mil Counselor met with MFA Deputy Director General for NATO Gulhan Ulutekin on November 5 to deliver reftel demarche. Ulutekin said that Turkey's delegation to NATO was fully engaged with the U.S. and other Allies on this subject, but appreciated the chance to comment. Ulutekin said that in his recent visit to Bosnia, FM Davutoglu told Bosnian leaders that Turkey would support for Bosnia's MAP. Ulutekin urged a more strategic, regional approach to providing incentives for the Balkans, and said that both Croatia and Slovenia supported Bosnia's entry into the MAP process.

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